

Application Number: 10/595,524

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ARGUMENTS

The claims have been deemed unpatentable in light of US 2004/043,682 (Taylor).

The construction board of Tayleor is a commonly known such board wherein the coating on the base board (substrate) protrudes in linear lines or ridges directly over the mesh as a result of the mesh being coated by a coating slurry.

In contrast, claim 1 defines a construction board with protrusions that are not in the form of lines or ridges and moreover these protrusions are not below said protrusions rather the mesh is at the perimeter of the protrusions – i.e. the mesh defines the perimeter of the protrusions. It is believed that such a structure tends to form a construction board with superior strength and/or provides for improved adhesion to other building elements/materials.

Applicant therefore hopes that the Examiner will allow the application with the claims as amended to proceed to acceptance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection and issue of a notice of allowance on the pending claims is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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